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1. EMB CAA HAS PROVIDED UK CAA GROVES WITH A DRAFT-LETTER BASED ON PARA 1 REFTEL CONFIRMING USG VIEW THAT AEROAMERICA WAS ELIGIBLE TO PERFORM BERLIN CHARTER SERVICES. GROVES SAID LETTER MET ONE IMPORTANT REQUIREMENT BUT THAT HE HAD LEARNED LATE YESTERDAY THAT UK CIVIL AIR AUTHORITIES REMAINED CONCERNED RE POSSIBILITY OF EISENBERG ATTEMPTING TO OPERATE ARRANGEMENTS SIMILAR TO CLUB INTERNATIONAL FROM BERLIN.

2. EMB CAA SAID THAT NO REAL RISK EXISTED FOR UK INTERESTS SINCE CHARTER AND PRIVATE FLIGHTS WERE SUBJECT TO INDIVIDUAL CAA CLEARANCES; THEREFORE, UK CAA WOULD HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO OBJECT TO ANY AEROAMERICA FLIGHTS WHICH WERE OUTSIDE NORMAL RANGE OF BERLIN OPERATIONS. AT GROVES REQUEST,
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HOWEVER, WE ADDED TO OUR LETTER THAT AEROAMERICA

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WAS ENTITLED TO "OPERATE SERVICES CARRYING PASSENGERS CHARGED INDIVIDUAL FARES WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE CAAS." THIS, OF COURSE, MERELY SPELLS OUT AUTHORITY IMPLICIT IN GRANTING APPROVAL FOR OPERATING IT CHARTERS FROM BERLIN. ON THIS BASIS GROVES GAVE HIS APPROVAL, IN PRINCIPLE, FOR AEROAMERICA TO OPERATE FROM BERLIN AND EXPRESSED WILLINGNESS TO CLEAR APPROPRIATE APPLICATIONS FROM AEROAMERICA.

3. COMMENT: WE ALSO BELIEVE TRAVEL CLUBS SHOULD BE KEPT OUT OF BERLIN SINCE SUCH ACTIVITIES COULD INTER-ALIA HAVESERIOUS COMMERCIAL EFFECTS ON PAA'S CHARTER OPERATIONS AS WELL AS BRITISH SUPPLEMENTALS. WE SUGGEST EISENBERG BE PUT ON NOTICE THAT AEROAMERICA'S ACTIVITIES WILL BE LIMITED TO BONA FIDE CHARTER OPERATIONS AND THAT ANY FLIGHTS UNDER ARRANGEMENTS SUCH AS CLUB INTERNATIONAL WILL NOT BE CLEARED. ACTION REQUEST: DEPARTMENT'S AUTHORIZATION TO INFORM AEROAMERICA'S BERLIN REPS OF APPROVAL AND TO INVITE THEM TO SUBMIT APPLICATIONS FOR BERLIN FLUGRING'S SUMMER PROGRAM.
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